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APPROVALS/ACTIVITIES
BY MONTH

NRO DECLASSIFICATION/RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS ON FILE

SEPTEMBER 1963

<u>NRO FORECAST</u>	<u>SPECIAL GROUP APPROVALS</u>	<u>MISSIONS FLOWN</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
	5 September		Daily Weather Watch
4 China	4 September	3 ✓	Daily Weather Watch
4 Sino Indian	4 September	1 ✓	Daily Weather Watch
3 North Viet- nam/Laos	3 September		Daily Weather Watch
1 North Korea	1 September		Daily Weather Watch

OCTOBER 1963

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	4 Sino Indian	2 October	2	Plus 1 air abort.
	3 North Viet- nam/Laos	2 October	2	
	1 North Korea	2 October	1	

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NOVEMBER 1963

+ China	31 October		Stand-down
2 Sino Indian	31 October	2	
3 North Viet- nam/Laos	31 October	2	

NOTE: Weather watch daily through 17 November. Awaiting confirmation of further requirements after 17 November. NRO

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DECEMBER 1963

4 China	COMOR recommends no operations pending review.		
1 South Laos	5 November	1	
1 Cambodia	Higher Authority (25 December)	1	

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JANUARY 1964

4 China	*9 January		Aircraft non-operational 15 January due fuel controls.
1 North Korea	*9 January		
2 North Vietnam	*9 January		
1 Cambodia	*9 January	1	Wrap-up of previous approval

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FEBRUARY 1964

4 China	31 January		See NOTE
1 North Korea	31 January		See NOTE
2 North Vietnam/Laos	31 January		See NOTE
4 South Vietnam	DCI Approved C/A 7 February		See NOTE

NOTE: Aircraft non-operational due fuel controls.

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OBSERVED WEATHER OVER NORTH AND SOUTH VIETNAM FROM 20 JAN THROUGH 22 FEB '64
(Based on COMNAVZ reports)

DATE	SOUTH VIETNAM		NORTH VIETNAM		COMMENTS
	NE Sctn	SW Sctn	N Sctn	S Sctn	
20 Jan '64	4	3/2	5	5	The Polar Front moved south into North Vietnam on the 22nd of Jan, and continued a southward drift to 12N by 1 Feb. The resultant decrease in easterly flow, south of the front, caused relatively good photographic weather over the areas of South Vietnam, with 9 days of Category III or better being experienced between 22 Jan and 11 Feb. North Vietnam, under the influence of persistent easterly flow showed predominantly Category IV-V weather.
21	4/3	3/2	4	4	
22	3	2	5	4/3	
23	3	2	4	4/3	
24	3	2	5	5	
25	4/3	3/2	5	5	
26	5/4	3/2	5	5	
27	4	3/2	5	4	
28	4/3	3/2	5	5	
29	4/3	4/3	5/4	5/4	
30	3/2	2	5	5	From 11 through 22 Feb, easterly flow over North and South Vietnam resulted in Category IV-V over the eastern slopes and coastal areas, with periods of good weather over the Mekong Basin area during this time span.
31	4	4/3	5	4	
1 Feb	4	2/3	5	5	
2	3/2	2	4	4	
3	3/2	2	5	5	
4	5	4/3	5	4	
5	4	4/3	4	5	
6	4	3/2	4	4	
7	4	3/2	5	5	
8	3/2	2	4/3	3	
9	3/2	2		3	
10	3	2		3	
11	4	2		4	
12	4	4/3		4	
13	4	3/2		5	
14	4	2/3		4	
15	4	3/2		5	
16	4	4		4	
17	4	4		4	
18	4/3	4/3		5	
19	4/3	2		5	
20	4	3/2		5	
21	5	4		5	
22	5	4/3		4	

NOTE: CATEGORY 5 - Overcast
4 - Greater than 50% cloud cover, but not overcast
3 - Between 25% and 50% cloud cover
2 - Less than 25% cloud cover
1 - Clear

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SUMMARY:

SOUTH VIETNAM:

NE Sctn: (East coast and slopes)	9 days	Cat III-II
	6 "	" IV/III
	15 "	" IV
	4 "	" IV-V

SW Sctn: (Mekong Basin Area)	24 days	Cat III-II
	7 "	" IV/III
	3 "	" IV

NORTH VIETNAM:

N Sctn: (Hanoi Basin to 19N)	1 day	Cat III-II
	7 days	" IV
	26 "	" IV-V

S Sctn: (South of 19N)	3 days	Cat III-II
	2 "	" IV/III
	12 "	" IV
	17 "	" V-V/IV

NOTE: Cat V/IV means predominantly Cat V with patches of Cat IV
IV/III " " " IV " " " " III

OUTLOOK: Number of days with Category III weather or better which might be expected in the next 60 days.

Laos, Thailand and Cambodia: Area west of mountains (Mekong Basin Area)
40 days
Area of Laos, east of mountains - 7-8 days

North Vietnam: Predominantly poor, due to easterly flow.
1-2 days in first 30 days
3-5 days in second 30 days

South Vietnam: Polar front in vicinity, with waves moving ENE and periods of good weather.
NE Sctn - 3 days in first 30 days
8 days in second 30 days
SW Sctn - 20 days in first 30 days
10 days in second 30 days.

NOTE: The indicated 60 days is under the influence of the Northeast monsoon, with the best weather to be expected over the Mekong Basin area. Periods of improvement along the eastern seaboard and along the eastern slopes of the mountains of North and South Vietnam will accompany wave development on the Polar front, and occur as the wave moves to the ENE from this area of interest toward the southeast China coast. Late April marks the beginning of the transition period between the Northeast and Southwest Monsoon. NRO 25X1A

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